

Arizona Military Family Relief Fund Advisory Committee Meeting

Arizona Department of Veterans' Service
3839 N. 3rd Street, Suite 209, Phoenix, AZ 85012
January 17th, 2017 – 2:00 p.m.

Committee Members Present

Stanley Zeitz (Vice Chairman)
Larry Struck
Teresa Kolodny
Anthony Irby
Thomas Troxell
Raphael Ahmed
Randy Meyer (Chairman)
Kathy Pearce
Paul Clark

Committee Members Absent

Robert Barnes, ADVS Deputy Director/Designee
Martin Badegian
John Aldecoa
Carol Culbertson

MFRF Committee Staff

Michelle Sullivan, ADVS/MFRF

Assistant Arizona Attorney General – Benjamin Norris

CALL TO ORDER and APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Randy Meyer called the meeting to order at 2:07 p.m. Thomas Troxell moved to approve the draft minutes of the public meeting held on December 13th, 2016. Stanley Zeitz seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Chairman Randy Meyer read the Advisory Committee's Disclosure Policy. Advisory Committee members must disclose their knowledge of an applicant to the Advisory Committee during the consideration process. Knowledge of an applicant that benefits all members of the Advisory Committee during the consideration process does not create a conflict of interest. If an Advisory Committee member has knowledge of an applicant and has a vested interest in the outcome of the Committee's findings or seeks to benefit or gain from a vote on a particular application, he/she is required to recuse his or herself from consideration of that applicant as it creates a conflict of interest.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Randy Meyer moved the meeting to executive session at 2:06 p.m. to discuss MFRF applications that are, according to ARS 41-608.04.E., confidential. Executive Session is allowable under ARS 41-608.04.E.

APPLICATION RECOMMENDATIONS

Chairman Randy Meyer returned the meeting to public session at 2:40 p.m. to vote on applications.

- 1. 2016-09 C** Kathy Pearce recommended application to be approved for half the rent for three months, there was no second on the motion, the motion died. Anthony Irby motioned the application be partially approved for six months of half the rent and the applicant is recommended to apply for

caregiver benefits and social security benefits. Thomas Troxell seconded the motion, and the motion carried by majority vote.

2. **2016-08 W** Raphael Ahmed moved to recommend application be partially approved for assistance with one month rent only, the committee states the applicant will be receiving a VA retro entitlement of over \$9,000. Kathy Pearce seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.
3. **2013-07 H** Stanley Zeitz moved to recommend application be approved as requested two month's rent only. Anthony Irby seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.
4. **2016-06 B TIP** Thomas Troxell recommended application be approved and submitted for participation in the Transition in Place Program up to \$10,000 that provides up to six month housing assistance and supportive services. Stanley Zeitz recommends applicants apply for increase in disability compensation. Carol Culbertson seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.
5. **2016-06 F 01-09-2017** Anthony Irby moved to recommend application be partially approved for three months of rent and APS only. Stanley Zeitz requested to see income of significant other or paystub. Anthony Irby seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.
6. **2017-01 B** Anthony Irby moved to recommend application be approved for past due auto of \$1871.73, one month auto of \$770.26 and auto insurance of \$710 only. The committee recommends that the applicant seeks affordable housing of 33% of total income to ensure success of maintaining permanent housing. Raphael Ahmed seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.
7. **2011-11 A 01-17-2017** Raphael Ahmed moved to recommend application be approved as requested for two months of auto, past due electric, plus two months of electric, water, gas, and waste management only. Thomas Troxell seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.
8. **2014-09 A 01-11-2017** Anthony Irby moved to recommend application be approved as requested for past due school delinquency of \$455.31 in order for the applicant to pursue her education to better her life. Paul Clark seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

MARKETING REPORTS

Arizona Veteran Standdown is on February 09th and 10th. Heroes 2 Hometown is hosting annual run/walk on March 11, 2017. Retiree Appreciation Day at Fort Huachuca on February 11th, 2017.

CALL TO PUBLIC

ADJOURNMENT and NEXT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Anthony Irby moved to adjourn the Advisory Committee meeting. Stanley Zeitz seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously meeting adjourned at 3:31pm.

The next Advisory Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 21st, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. at the Arizona Department of Veteran Services.